

Town Crier, March 17, 2018

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS

**PROPERTY TAX
2018 Interim Levy Due
Date
April 13, 2018**

For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mail box at City Hall, located at the Rear Entrance. Payment by Interac and online/telephone banking is also available. Please make cheques payable to "City of Stratford" and mail to P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1. Pre-authorized payment is available monthly or quarterly, call to inquire. Contact: Tax Department, 519-271-0250, ext. 212 or 213

MUNICIPAL ELECTION CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSION - MARCH 27

The City of Stratford is hosting a Municipal Election Candidate Information Session on Tuesday, March 27 at 5:30 p.m., in the Auditorium, located at City Hall. The Province has made many changes to the nomination process, filing dates, campaign rules and election finances that will affect municipal council and school trustee candidates for the 2018 elections.

The session will include presentations given by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Topics to be discussed are:

- Role of Council, municipal staff and school board trustees;
- Third Party advertising;
- Nominations and Eligibility to run;
- Candidate and third party advertiser duties;
- General campaign rules and election finances;
- Compliance audits and penalties.

Who should attend:

- Potential candidates for municipal and school board trustee elections;
- Current Council members; and
- People interested in the new third party advertising policy.

The event is free and open to the public. Registration is not required. For more information please contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 ext 235 or 329.

INCOME TAX CLINICS – MARCH 20, 2018

The City of Stratford Social Services Department is coordinating community INCOME TAX CLINICS on Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

To participate, you must have an annual income of less than \$18,000.00 (individuals) OR less than \$28,000.00 (couples). Please ensure you are within these limits, and note that only current year tax returns can be completed.

Pre-registration is required. Appointments are 20 minutes long. Couples will require two appointments. To book an appointment time and confirm location, please contact Hazel Snedden, City of Stratford Social Services Department at 519-271-3773, ext. 256, between 8:30 am & 3:30 pm., Monday through Friday.

Participants are required to bring the following documents to the clinic (if applicable): T4's, T5's, Medical Receipts, Donation Receipts, Rent Receipts and/or Property Tax Receipts, Disability Form (T2201), Date of Entry to Canada, etc.

There is no fee for the clinic, with services provided free of charge by BDO Dunwoody Canada LLP; Famme & Co. Professional Corporation; and Mitchell & Pearce.

CELEBRATE WORLD WATER DAY! MARCH 22, 2018

The City of Stratford's Environmental Services division is celebrating World Water Day on March 22, 2018. Staff will be present at the following locations to answer all of your questions:

1. Tour of Romeo Street Pumping Station (Water Supply) 39 Romeo Street South 9 a.m., 2 p.m., and 5 p.m.

2. Tour of Water Pollution Control Plant (Wastewater Treatment) 701 West Gore Street 9 a.m., 2 p.m., and 5 p.m.
3. Open House at Vivian Street Pumping Station (Wastewater Collection) 362 Romeo Street North 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
4. Open House at Forman Water Tower (Water Distribution) 430 Forman Avenue 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
5. Open House at Fairfield Stormwater Pond (Stormwater) 130 Fairfield Drive 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

To learn more about World Water day, visit www.WorldWaterDay.org

ANNE HATHAWAY DAYCARE - LICENSED CHILDCARE SPACES AVAILABLE

Anne Hathaway Day Care Centre has a limited number of full time openings available for **2.5 and 3 year old** children. Enriching child-centered programs led by a team of highly skilled and experienced Early Childhood Educators:

- Nutritious lunch and snacks provided
- Outdoor play in a new natural play space
- Financial assistance available upon qualification
- Newly renovated facility

EMERGENCY OR SHORT TERM CHILD CARE SERVICES

Operated by the City of Stratford, Anne Hathaway Daycare is a child and family friendly licenced early childhood education centre. Emergency or short term childcare services are provided on an 'as available' basis. For information about services, availability and fees, please contact the Daycare at 519-273-1803.

For further information contact: Corry Gunn, Manager - 103 Bruce St. Stratford 519-273-1803

cgunn@stratford.ca

BRONZE STAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

This program was put in place by Stratford City Council in 2002 in order to recognize and honour national or international citizens who have worked or contributed profoundly to the cultural and/or social fabric of the City or a Stratford citizen who has achieved national or international status. Recipients are chosen by City Council and honoured with a Bronze Stars presented during the Canada Day Celebrations. The Stratford Festival is also involved with this program. If you know of someone meeting this criteria and would like him/her considered for a Bronze Star, please contact the Mayor's Office, Pat Shantz, 271-0250, ext. 236 or by email pshantz@stratford.ca.

EVENING HOT MEAL PROGRAMS IN STRATFORD—OPEN TO ALL—DROP IN

Mar 19	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15pm
Mar 20	Christian Reformed Church, 190 Athlone Crescent	5:15pm
Mar 21	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 25 St. Andrew Street	5:15pm
Mar 22	Memorial Baptist Church, 113 Bruce Street	5:15pm

Additional Weekly Meals at The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street. Breakfast is served every Thursday morning at 8:30am. Seniors' Lunch, 60 years and older, is served every Wednesday at 11:30am.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Mar 20	Finance and Labour Relations Sub-committee	4:30pm	Council Chamber
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Meetings are open to the public to attend with the exception of In-Camera sessions. Agendas can be accessed from the City's website or may be picked up from the City Clerk's Office the Friday before the scheduled meeting. Also, check the City's website for the Sub-committee, Standing Committee and Council Meeting Schedules, Agendas, and Advisory Committee Schedules as the schedule is subject to change. The Town Crier is also posted on the City's website.

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